

I. Substitute Sequence listing under 37 CFR §§ 1.821-1.825

A substitute sequence listing under 37 CFR 1.821-1.825 is enclosed. The paper copy of the sequence listing and the copies of the sequence listing in computer readable format (CRF), on the enclosed floppy discs, are *identical*.

II. Changes to the Specification

Due to the extensive changes to the specification requested in the Office Action, a substitute specification is hereby enclosed with this amendment. Both a clean version (no markings) and a marked up version (with underlining only) is being submitted as per 37 CFR 1.125(b). Further, the substitute specification does not add new subject matter.


CONCLUSIONS

For the foregoing reasons, Applicant submits that all claims as currently presented are allowable. Claims were 5-7, 26-27, and 43-51 were cancelled in response mailed December 15, 2003. Therefore, Claims 1-4, 8-25, 28-42, and 52-56 remain pending the instant application.

If for any reason the Examiner finds the application other than in condition for examination on its merits, Applicant encourages the Examiner to telephone Applicant's undersigned representative at 310-319-5414 to discuss the steps necessary for placing the application in condition for examination on its merits.

Applicant hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge any additional fees, which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 16-2230 (Reference #350013-71).

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